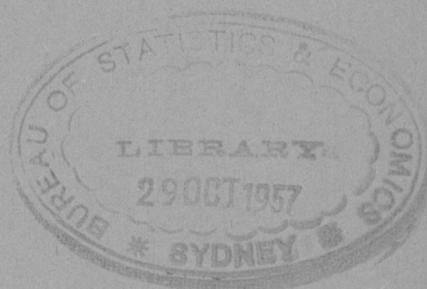


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EXPLANATORY NOTES

Except where otherwise specified, employment figures contained in this Bulletin are based on data obtained from the 1933 Census, the Civilian Register of 1943, the Occupation Survey of 1945, Annual Censuses of Factory Production, and returns from Governmental Bodies, together with Pay-roll Tax returns. Pay-roll Tax returns at present cover approximately 80 per cent. of the total estimated number of wage and salary earners in civilian employment (excluding rural and female private domestics) and are lodged by all employers paying more than £120 per week in wages (other than certain Commonwealth Government Bodies, religious and benevolent institutions, public hospitals and other similar organizations specifically exempted under the Pay-roll Tax Assessment Act 1941-1954). This Act, when originally introduced in 1941, required employers paying wages of more than £20 per week to lodge returns. The exemption limit was raised to £80 per week from 1st October, 1953. The present exemption limit of £120 per week was introduced in September, 1954.

The terms "Employment", "Number Employed", "Employees" and "Wage Earners" used herein are synonymous with, and relate to, "Wage and salary earners" on pay-rolls or "in employment" in the latter part of each month as distinct from numbers of employees actually working on a specific date. They include persons employed part-time.

PREFACE

The figures relating to employment published in this Bulletin are estimates. The Census of June, 1954, may show the need for some revision in the monthly aggregates. It is not anticipated, however, that any such revisions will affect the trends shown by the figures in Tables 1 to 8. Some revisions will be necessary in the totals and trends in employment shown for individual industries (particularly manufacturing) in Tables 7 and 8. Tables showing employment in individual classes of factory are not published pending review.

2. Call-ups for short periods of National Service Training have occurred from time to time since August, 1951, and other variations occur in numbers of personnel in the Services. These are shown in item 4 below and in Table 4 page 3 hereof.

TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES AND DEFENCE FORCES : AUSTRALIA (EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service) (Thousands)

	1956		1957				
	July	August	April	May	June	July	August
MALES							
1. In Private Employment	1416.2	1414.3	1415.4	1417.1	1416.9	1412.6	1410.0
In Governmental Employment -							
Commonwealth Bodies -							
Defence Group (a)	31.7	31.5	28.4	28.4	28.4	28.5	28.6
Other	131.4	131.5	136.7	136.9	137.2	137.4	137.1
State and Semi-Governmental	376.8	377.2	375.7	378.0	378.2	*377.8	376.9
Local Government Bodies	65.8	65.5	66.1	65.9	65.8	66.0	65.7
2. Total Governmental	605.7	605.7	606.9	609.2	609.6	*609.7	608.3
3. Grand Total in Civilian Employment	2021.9	2020.0	2022.3	2026.3	2026.5	*2022.3	2018.3
4. Defence Forces (Permanent, Oversea and National Service Trainees in Camp) (b)	59.6	59.6	48.0	46.8	46.0	49.3	49.1
5. Total, Civilian Employees, Defence Forces and Trainees	2081.5	2079.6	2070.3	2073.1	2072.5	*2071.6	2067.4
FEMALES							
1. In Private Employment	626.8	625.7	632.7	631.9	629.6	628.3	628.7
In Governmental Employment -							
Commonwealth Bodies -							
Defence Group (a)	7.4	7.2	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1
Other	39.2	39.3	39.5	39.5	39.5	40.2	40.1
State and Semi-Governmental	78.0	77.9	80.5	80.7	80.9	81.1	81.0
Local Government Bodies	6.2	6.2	6.3	6.3	6.4	6.4	6.5
2. Total Governmental	130.8	130.6	132.4	132.6	132.9	133.8	133.7
3. Grand Total in Civilian Employment	757.6	756.3	765.1	764.5	762.5	762.1	762.4
4. Defence Forces (Permanent and Oversea)	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.8
5. Total, Civilian Employees and Defence Forces	759.6	758.2	767.0	766.4	764.4	763.9	764.2
PERSONS							
1. In Private Employment	2043.0	2040.0	2048.1	2049.0	2046.5	2040.9	2038.7
In Governmental Employment -							
Commonwealth Bodies -							
Defence Group (a)	39.1	38.7	34.5	34.5	34.5	34.6	34.7
Other	170.6	170.8	176.2	176.4	176.7	177.6	177.2
State and Semi-Governmental	454.8	455.1	456.2	458.7	459.1	*458.9	457.9
Local Government Bodies	72.0	71.7	72.4	72.2	72.2	72.4	72.2
2. Total Governmental	736.5	736.3	739.3	741.8	742.5	*743.5	742.0
3. Grand Total in Civilian Employment	2779.5	2776.3	2787.4	2790.8	2789.0	*2784.4	2780.7
4. Defence Forces (Permanent, Oversea and National Service Trainees in Camp) (b)	61.6	61.5	49.9	48.7	47.9	51.1	50.9
5. Total, Civilian Employees, Defence Forces and Trainees	2841.1	2837.8	2837.3	2839.5	2836.2	*2835.5	2831.6

(a) Comprises employees of the Departments of Air, Army, Navy, Defence, Supply and Defence Production. (b) Excludes rural workers and students in camp undergoing National Service Training but includes non-enlisted personnel. * Revised.

I. GENERAL SUMMARY

TABLE 1 - TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : AUSTRALIA

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)

(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58
July	(a) 1996.0	2021.9	*2022.3	738.7	757.6	762.1	(a) 2734.7	2779.5	*2784.4
August	1999.6	2020.0	2018.3	740.9	756.3	762.4	2740.5	2776.3	2780.7
September	2003.1	2020.1		743.9	757.0		2747.0	2777.1	
October	2001.7	2018.1		747.8	759.3		2749.5	2777.4	
November	2012.4	2027.3		756.1	765.5		2768.5	2792.8	
December	2012.9	2022.6		758.2	763.8		2771.1	2786.4	
January	(a) 1990.7	2017.5		752.2	758.7		(a) 2742.9	2776.2	
February	2018.8	2026.0		759.4	766.5		2778.2	2792.5	
March	2020.1	2029.0		762.2	768.8		2782.3	2797.8	
April	2025.4	2022.3		760.3	765.1		2785.7	2787.4	
May	2028.1	2026.3		760.6	764.5		2788.7	2790.8	
June	2025.9	2026.5		758.9	762.5		2784.8	2789.0	

(a) Affected by industrial disputes. * Revised.

TABLE 2 - DEFENCE FORCES : AUSTRALIA

(Permanent and Oversea Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp (a))

(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58
July	59.9	59.6	49.3	2.1	2.0	1.8	62.0	61.6	51.1
August	60.2	59.6	49.1	2.2	1.9	1.8	62.4	61.5	50.9
September	60.1	58.8		2.1	1.9		62.2	60.7	
October	60.0	58.0		2.0	1.9		62.0	59.9	
November	51.9	50.3		2.0	1.9		53.9	52.2	
December	49.8	47.5		2.0	1.9		51.8	49.4	
January	59.9	57.2		2.0	1.9		61.9	59.1	
February	60.1	57.7		2.0	1.8		62.1	59.5	
March	58.4	55.1		1.9	1.8		60.3	56.9	
April	58.9	48.0		1.9	1.9		60.8	49.9	
May	58.6	46.8		2.0	1.9		60.6	48.7	
June	57.3	46.0		2.0	1.9		59.3	47.9	

(a) Non-enlisted personnel are included. Rural workers and students in camp undergoing National Service Training are excluded.

TABLE 3 - TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES, DEFENCE FORCES AND TRAINEES : AUSTRALIA

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)

(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58
July	(a) 2055.9	2081.5	*2071.6	740.8	759.6	763.9	(a) 2796.7	2841.1	*2835.5
August	2059.8	2079.6	2067.4	743.1	758.2	764.2	2802.9	2837.8	2831.6
September	2063.2	2078.9		746.0	758.9		2809.2	2837.8	
October	2061.7	2076.1		749.8	761.2		2811.5	2837.3	
November	2064.3	2077.6		758.1	767.4		2822.4	2845.0	
December	2062.7	2070.1		760.2	765.7		2822.9	2835.8	
January	(a) 2050.6	2074.7		754.2	760.6		(a) 2804.8	2835.3	
February	2078.9	2083.7		761.4	768.3		2840.3	2852.0	
March	2078.5	2084.1		764.1	770.6		2842.6	2854.7	
April	2084.3	2070.3		762.2	767.0		2846.5	2837.3	
May	2086.7	2073.1		762.6	766.4		2849.3	2839.5	
June	2083.2	2072.5		760.9	764.4		2844.1	2836.9	

(a) Affected by industrial disputes. * Revised.

TABLE 4 - TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES AND DEFENCE FORCES : AUSTRALIA
(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)

(Thousands)

Month		Civilian Employees (excluding Rural Industry and Private Domestic Service)								Defence Forces (b)	
		Males			Females			Persons			
		Governmental Bodies (a)	Private Employment	Total	Governmental Bodies (a)	Private Employment	Total	Governmental Bodies (a)	Private Employment		Total
1939	July	349.8	943.3	1,293.1	55.2	381.9	437.1	405.0	1,325.2	1,730.2	12.9
1941	July	375.3	988.1	1,363.4	70.8	485.4	556.2	446.1	1,473.5	1,919.6	284.6
1942	June	420.9	888.6	1,309.5	100.8	502.8	603.6	521.7	1,391.4	1,913.1	634.0
1943	June	413.3	859.9	1,273.2	135.9	504.8	640.7	549.2	1,364.7	1,913.9	729.0
1944	June	404.5	871.1	1,275.6	134.0	497.5	631.5	538.5	1,368.6	1,907.1	704.4
1945	June	400.2	896.1	1,296.3	124.8	494.6	619.4	525.0	1,390.7	1,915.7	648.9
1946	June	435.0	1,071.5	1,506.5	94.0	502.0	596.0	529.0	1,573.5	2,102.5	143.4
1947	June	472.0	1,177.4	1,649.4	92.1	527.5	619.6	564.1	1,704.9	2,269.0	54.0
1948	June	494.0	1,236.9	1,730.9	94.9	549.1	644.0	588.9	1,786.0	2,374.9	39.3
1949	May (c)	518.9	1,268.2	1,787.1	99.2	564.9	664.1	618.1	1,833.1	2,451.2	33.6
1950	June	554.3	1,304.4	1,858.7	107.7	580.5	688.2	662.0	1,884.9	2,546.9	33.7
1951	June	571.2	1,340.3	1,911.5	113.9	604.9	718.8	685.1	1,945.2	2,630.3	44.3
1952	June (d)	578.4	1,329.7	1,908.1	115.3	564.1	679.4	693.7	1,893.8	2,587.5	69.4
1953	June	567.8	1,319.0	1,886.8	112.0	561.7	673.7	679.8	1,880.7	2,560.5	67.4
1954	June	581.4	1,367.0	1,948.4	114.5	593.0	707.5	695.9	1,960.0	2,655.9	62.1
1955	June	599.1	1,401.4	2,000.5	122.8	615.7	738.5	721.9	2,017.1	2,739.0	59.8
1956	June	604.8	1,421.1	2,025.9	129.8	629.1	758.9	734.6	2,050.2	2,784.8	59.3
1957	June	609.6	1,416.9	2,026.5	132.9	629.6	762.5	742.5	2,046.5	2,789.0	47.9
1955	July (e)	596.1	1,399.9	1,996.0	123.6	615.1	738.7	719.7	2,015.0	2,734.7	62.0
	August	598.3	1,401.3	1,999.6	124.2	616.7	740.9	722.5	2,018.0	2,740.5	62.4
	September	597.5	1,405.6	2,003.1	123.7	620.2	743.9	721.2	2,025.8	2,747.0	62.2
	October	595.0	1,406.7	2,001.7	124.0	623.8	747.8	719.0	2,030.5	2,749.5	62.0
	November	595.2	1,417.2	2,012.4	124.9	631.2	756.1	720.1	2,048.4	2,768.5	53.9
	December	596.3	1,416.6	2,012.9	124.0	634.2	758.2	720.3	2,050.8	2,771.1	51.8
1956	Jan. (e)	595.3	1,395.4	1,990.7	123.9	628.3	752.2	719.2	2,023.7	2,742.9	61.9
	February	597.5	1,421.3	2,018.8	127.3	632.1	759.4	724.8	2,053.4	2,778.2	62.1
	March	598.9	1,421.2	2,020.1	128.7	633.5	762.2	727.6	2,054.7	2,782.3	60.3
	April	601.1	1,424.3	2,025.4	129.3	631.0	760.3	730.4	2,055.3	2,785.7	60.8
	May	603.6	1,424.5	2,028.1	129.7	630.9	760.6	733.3	2,055.4	2,788.7	60.6
	June	604.9	1,421.0	2,025.9	129.8	629.1	758.9	734.7	2,050.1	2,784.8	59.3
	July	605.7	1,416.2	2,021.9	130.8	626.8	757.6	736.5	2,043.0	2,779.5	61.6
	August	605.7	1,414.3	2,020.0	130.6	625.7	756.3	736.3	2,040.0	2,776.3	61.5
	September	604.0	1,416.1	2,020.1	129.9	627.1	757.0	733.9	2,043.2	2,777.1	60.7
	October	601.6	1,416.5	2,018.1	129.3	630.0	759.3	730.9	2,046.5	2,777.4	59.9
	November	602.6	1,424.7	2,027.3	129.6	635.9	765.5	732.2	2,060.6	2,792.8	52.2
	December	602.5	1,420.1	2,022.6	128.4	635.4	763.8	730.9	2,055.5	2,786.4	49.4
1957	January	602.1	1,415.4	2,017.5	128.1	630.6	758.7	730.2	2,046.0	2,776.2	59.1
	February	605.0	1,421.0	2,026.0	131.2	635.3	766.5	736.2	2,056.3	2,792.5	59.5
	March	605.2	1,423.8	2,029.0	131.4	637.4	768.8	736.6	2,061.2	2,797.8	56.9
	April	606.9	1,415.4	2,022.3	132.4	632.7	765.1	739.3	2,048.1	2,787.4	49.9
	May	609.2	1,417.1	2,026.3	132.6	631.9	764.5	741.8	2,049.0	2,790.8	48.7
	June	609.6	1,416.9	2,026.5	132.9	629.6	762.5	742.5	2,046.5	2,789.0	47.9
	July *	609.7	1,412.6	2,022.3	133.8	628.3	762.1	743.5	2,040.9	2,784.4	51.1
	August	608.3	1,410.0	2,018.3	133.7	628.7	762.4	742.0	2,038.7	2,780.7	50.9

(a) Includes all employees of Governmental Bodies (Commonwealth, State, Local and Semi-Governmental) on services such as railways, tramways, banks, post office, air transport, education, broadcasting, police, public works, factories and munitions establishments, migrant hostels, etc., as well as administrative employees, within Australia. (b) Includes members of Permanent and Oversea Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in camp. Non-enlisted personnel are included. Rural workers and students in camp undergoing National Service Training are excluded. (c) Figures for May, 1949 have been used for purposes of annual comparison because of the effects of the coal dispute in June, 1949. (d) See Preface on page 1 hereof as to effects of fluctuations in numbers of Defence Forces and Trainees since August, 1951. (e) Affected by industrial disputes. * Revised.

TABLE 5 - WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT

STATES AND TERRITORIES

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and Private Domestic Service)

(Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp are also excluded)

(Thousands)

State or Territory	June, 1951	June, 1952	June, 1953	June, 1954	June, 1955	June, 1956	June, 1957	July, 1957	August, 1957
MALES									
New South Wales	758.2	754.4	734.3	758.1	779.2	787.8	789.5	788.3	785.9
Victoria	525.8	524.4	521.6	539.7	556.7	564.2	565.1	564.3	563.5
Queensland	259.3	258.1	255.2	263.7	272.0	276.0	275.8	*275.0	274.2
South Australia	170.0	171.5	170.6	176.0	178.7	184.5	182.9	182.1	182.2
Western Australia	125.3	126.0	130.2	135.0	136.4	135.5	133.6	133.3	133.4
Tasmania	60.2	61.0	61.8	62.8	64.0	64.4	65.2	64.8	64.5
Northern Territory	4.6	4.4	4.6	4.9	4.8	5.0	5.5	5.5	5.5
Aust. Cap. Terr.	8.1	8.3	8.5	8.2	8.7	8.5	8.9	9.0	9.1
Australia:	1911.5	1908.1	1886.8	1948.4	2000.5	2025.9	2026.5	*2022.3	2018.3
FEMALES									
New South Wales	290.9	270.5	266.2	279.5	292.5	300.2	302.2	302.1	302.7
Victoria	219.6	206.6	205.9	217.7	227.0	233.0	233.5	233.2	232.6
Queensland	86.1	83.8	83.7	86.1	89.3	91.2	92.8	92.8	93.1
South Australia	57.0	54.9	53.4	56.9	60.2	62.9	62.8	62.9	62.8
Western Australia	41.6	40.5	41.0	42.8	43.9	44.6	44.2	44.4	44.5
Tasmania	20.3	19.8	20.1	21.0	21.7	22.8	22.6	22.3	22.3
Northern Territory	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2
Aust. Cap. Terr.	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.6	2.9	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.2
Australia:	718.8	679.4	673.7	707.5	738.5	758.9	762.5	762.1	762.4
PERSONS									
New South Wales	1049.1	1024.9	1000.5	1037.6	1071.7	1088.0	1091.7	1090.4	1088.6
Victoria	745.4	731.0	727.5	757.4	783.7	797.2	798.6	797.5	796.1
Queensland	345.4	341.9	338.9	349.8	361.3	367.2	368.6	*367.8	367.3
South Australia	227.0	226.4	224.0	232.9	238.9	247.4	245.7	245.0	245.0
Western Australia	166.9	166.5	171.2	177.8	180.3	180.1	177.8	177.7	177.9
Tasmania	80.5	80.8	81.9	83.8	85.7	87.2	87.8	87.1	86.8
Northern Territory	5.4	5.2	5.5	5.8	5.8	6.1	6.7	6.7	6.7
Aust. Cap. Terr.	10.6	10.8	11.0	10.8	11.6	11.6	12.1	12.2	12.3
Australia:	2630.3	2587.5	2560.5	2655.9	2739.0	2784.8	2789.0	*2784.4	2780.7

* Revised.

TABLE 6 - CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OF GOVERNMENTAL BODIES, AUGUST, 1957.

STATES AND TERRITORIES

(Thousands)

State or Territory	Commonwealth (a)						State and Semi-Govt. (a)		Local Govt. (a)		Total Governmental (a)		
	Defence Group		Other		Total								
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	P
New South Wales	8.8	1.0	47.5	14.6	56.3	15.6	133.1	26.9	26.5	2.9	215.9	45.4	261.3
Victoria	14.2	4.0	36.3	11.4	50.5	15.4	98.9	25.3	13.2	1.8	162.6	42.5	205.1
Queensland	1.1	0.2	17.1	4.6	18.2	4.8	54.4	8.1	17.4	0.9	90.0	13.8	103.8
South Australia	3.6	0.7	13.1	3.0	16.7	3.7	38.7	9.9	3.1	0.4	58.5	14.0	72.5
Western Australia	0.6	0.1	8.5	2.2	9.1	2.3	37.9	6.8	3.4	0.3	50.4	9.4	59.8
Tasmania	0.1	0.1	4.5	1.2	4.6	1.3	13.9	4.0	2.1	0.2	20.6	5.5	26.1
Northern Territory	0.1	..	2.7	0.7	2.8	0.7	..	..	..	..	2.8	0.7	3.5
Aust. Cap. Terr.	0.1	..	7.4	2.4	7.5	2.4	..	..	..	..	7.5	2.4	9.9
<u>Total : August, 1957:</u>	28.6	6.1	137.1	40.1	165.7	46.2	376.9	81.0	65.7	6.5	608.3	133.7	742.0
<u>Total : July, 1957:</u>	28.5	6.1	137.4	40.2	165.9	46.3*	377.8	81.1	66.0	6.4*	609.7	133.8*	743.5

(a) See note (a) to Table 4 on previous page. * Revised.

II. EMPLOYMENT IN INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

TABLE 7 - WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT : INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

STATES - AUGUST, 1957.

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)
(Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp are also excluded)

(Thousands)

Industrial Group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (f)
MALES							
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping	8.1	5.4	5.1	1.8	2.5	2.0	25.2
Mining and Quarrying	27.9	4.6	9.7	1.7	7.6	3.0	55.1
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)	295.9	224.2	75.7	69.1	34.8	20.2	719.9
Other (b)	27.4	19.2	10.7	2.6	2.5	0.7	64.3
Total Manufacturing:	323.3	243.4	86.4	71.7	37.3	20.9	784.2
Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.)	73.7	49.8	34.8	19.7	14.1	8.7	204.4
Road Transport	35.3	21.8	14.3	7.1	4.5	2.5	85.9
Shipping and Stevedoring	16.2	11.1	9.4	5.8	5.3	2.4	50.2
Rail and Air Transport	38.4	23.1	22.0	9.9	10.7	2.5	107.1
Communication	26.4	18.6	9.8	6.1	4.6	2.1	68.0
Property and Finance (incl. Banks, etc.)	25.0	19.4	8.5	5.4	4.0	1.5	63.9
Retail Trade	50.6	37.9	15.5	12.1	9.4	3.6	129.5
Wholesale and Other Commerce	51.0	43.1	21.6	15.2	13.6	4.6	149.5
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	36.8	28.9	12.0	8.3	7.4	3.9	101.8
Other Industries (g)	73.2	56.4	25.1	17.4	12.4	6.8	193.5
TOTAL MALES:	785.9	563.5	274.2	182.2	133.4	64.5	2018.3
FEMALES							
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)	97.7	86.8	14.0	16.1	5.7	4.6	224.9
Other (b)	1.1	2.3	2.9	0.1	0.9	..	7.4
Total Manufacturing:	98.8	89.1	16.9	16.2	6.6	4.6	232.3
Rail and Air Transport	3.8	2.1	1.2	0.7	0.4	0.1	8.4
Other Transport (incl. Shipping, etc.)	4.3	3.7	1.9	1.1	0.5	0.3	11.8
Communication	7.6	5.6	2.7	1.8	1.0	1.0	19.8
Property and Finance (incl. Banks, etc.)	19.2	12.4	4.9	3.5	2.3	1.0	43.4
Retail Trade	45.2	32.4	16.6	12.2	10.1	4.1	121.0
Wholesale and Other Commerce	18.1	12.8	7.2	4.0	3.5	1.0	46.7
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	11.1	7.5	4.6	1.8	2.1	1.1	29.9
Other Industries (g)	94.6	67.0	37.1	21.5	18.0	9.1	249.1
TOTAL FEMALES:	302.7	232.6	93.1	62.8	44.5	22.3	762.4
PERSONS							
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping	8.2	5.5	5.1	1.8	2.5	2.0	25.4
Mining and Quarrying	28.2	4.7	10.1	1.8	7.8	3.1	56.3
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)	393.6	311.0	89.7	85.2	40.5	24.8	944.8
Other (b)	28.5	21.5	13.6	2.7	3.4	0.7	71.7
Total Manufacturing:	422.1	332.5	103.3	87.9	43.9	25.5	1016.5
Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.)	76.1	51.2	35.4	20.1	14.4	8.8	209.7
Road Transport	38.5	24.9	15.9	8.0	4.8	2.7	95.2
Shipping and Stevedoring	17.3	11.7	9.7	6.0	5.5	2.5	52.7
Rail and Air Transport	42.2	25.2	23.2	10.6	11.1	2.6	115.5
Communication	34.0	24.2	12.5	7.9	5.6	3.1	87.8
Property and Finance (incl. Banks, etc.)	44.2	31.8	13.4	8.9	6.3	2.5	107.3
Retail Trade	95.8	70.3	32.1	24.3	19.5	7.7	250.5
Wholesale and Other Commerce	69.1	55.9	28.8	19.2	17.1	5.6	196.2
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	47.9	36.4	16.6	10.1	9.5	5.0	131.7
Other Industries (g)	165.0	121.8	61.2	38.4	29.9	15.7	435.9
TOTAL PERSONS:	1088.6	796.1	367.3	245.0	177.9	86.8	2780.7

For notes see page 8.

TABLE 8 - WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT : INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

AUSTRALIA

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)

(Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp are also excluded)

(Thousands)

Industrial Group	July, 1956	August, 1956	May, 1957	June, 1957	July, 1957	August, 1957
MALES						
<u>Forestry, Fishing and Trapping</u>	26.6	26.3	25.3	25.2	25.0	25.2
<u>Mining -</u>						
Gold	7.4	7.4	7.3	7.2	7.2	7.1
Silver, Lead, Zinc	10.2	10.2	10.2	10.2	10.2	10.0
Coal	26.9	27.0	25.4	25.3	25.2	24.7
Other (including Quarries)	12.7	12.9	13.6	13.6	13.5	13.3
<u>Total Mining and Quarrying</u>	57.2	57.5	56.5	56.3	56.1	55.1
<u>Manufacturing, etc. -</u>						
Factories (a)	719.9	718.2	721.6	722.3	721.0	719.9
Other (b)	64.2	64.2	64.2	64.2	64.3	64.3
<u>Total Manufacturing</u>	784.1	782.4	785.8	786.5	785.3	784.2
<u>Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.)</u>						
Building (Privately employed) (c)	99.7	99.5	93.4	93.5	93.1	91.6
Other (d)	114.3	113.2	114.4	113.8	*113.6	112.8
<u>Total Building and Construction</u>	214.0	212.7	207.8	207.3	*206.7	204.4
<u>Transport and Communication</u>						
Road Transport	86.0	85.9	86.7	86.8	86.1	85.9
Shipping and Stevedoring	50.7	51.3	51.2	50.6	50.3	50.2
Rail and Air Transport	109.4	109.9	107.3	107.7	107.6	107.1
Communication	64.9	65.1	67.6	67.9	68.0	68.0
<u>Total Transport, etc.</u>	311.0	312.2	312.8	313.0	312.0	311.2
<u>Property and Finance, (including Banks and Insurance)</u>						
	61.7	61.6	63.9	64.0	63.8	63.9
<u>Commerce -</u>						
Wholesale Trade	125.9	125.5	125.4	125.4	125.0	124.9
Primary Produce Agencies	23.4	24.2	25.4	24.6	23.8	24.6
Retail Trade	129.5	129.0	129.3	129.4	129.6	129.5
<u>Total Commerce</u>	278.8	278.7	280.1	279.4	278.4	279.0
<u>Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.</u>	100.9	100.9	101.7	101.7	101.8	101.8
<u>Other</u>						
Law and Order	21.1	21.1	21.9	22.0	22.2	22.3
Religion and Social Welfare	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4
Health Services	26.9	26.8	27.0	27.1	27.2	27.3
Education	41.2	41.1	43.1	43.5	43.4	43.3
Other Professional	14.8	14.7	15.0	15.1	15.2	15.2
Entertainment, Sport	18.4	18.8	19.1	19.3	19.3	19.4
Personal Service (e)	53.8	53.8	54.9	54.7	54.5	54.6
<u>Total Other</u>	187.6	187.7	192.4	193.1	193.2	193.5
TOTAL :	2021.9	2020.0	2026.3	2026.5	*2022.3	2018.3
FEMALES						
<u>Forestry, Fishing and Trapping</u>	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
<u>Mining and Quarrying</u>	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
<u>Manufacturing, etc. -</u>						
Factories (a)	226.7	226.3	226.6	225.6	224.8	224.9
Other (b)	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4
<u>Total Manufacturing</u>	234.1	233.7	234.0	233.0	232.2	232.3
<u>Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.)</u>						
	5.1	5.1	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3
<u>Transport and Communication</u>						
Road Transport	9.6	9.5	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.3
Shipping and Stevedoring	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Rail and Air Transport	8.6	8.6	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.4
Communication	19.5	19.5	19.7	19.7	19.8	19.8
<u>Total Transport, etc.</u>	40.2	40.1	40.1	40.1	40.1	40.0

TABLE 8 - WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT : INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

AUSTRALIA (Continued)

(Thousands)

Industrial Group	July, 1956	August, 1956	May, 1957	June, 1957	July, 1957	August, 1957
FEMALES (Continued)						
<u>Property and Finance (including Banks and Insurance)</u>	41.8	41.8	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.4
<u>Commerce -</u>						
Wholesale Trade	40.2	40.1	40.7	40.7	40.5	40.5
Primary Produce Agencies	5.8	6.0	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.2
Retail Trade	122.4	121.0	121.9	121.3	121.3	121.0
<u>Total Commerce</u>	168.4	167.1	168.7	168.1	167.9	167.7
<u>Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.</u>	29.7	29.7	29.2	29.2	29.8	29.9
<u>Other -</u>						
Law and Order	9.9	9.9	10.1	10.2	10.2	10.2
Religion and Social Welfare	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0
Health Services	77.9	78.3	79.5	79.4	79.6	79.9
Education	51.2	51.0	53.7	53.9	54.1	54.1
Other Professional	10.3	10.3	10.4	10.5	10.5	10.4
Entertainment, Sport	9.1	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.4
Personal Service (e)	69.5	69.6	70.3	69.5	69.1	69.4
<u>Total Other</u>	236.9	237.4	242.3	241.9	241.9	242.4
TOTAL :	757.6	756.3	764.5	762.5	762.1	762.4
PERSONS						
<u>Forestry, Fishing and Trapping</u>	26.8	26.5	25.5	25.4	25.2	25.4
<u>Mining -</u>						
Gold	7.6	7.6	7.5	7.4	7.4	7.3
Silver, Lead, Zinc	10.5	10.5	10.5	10.5	10.5	10.3
Coal	27.1	27.2	25.6	25.5	25.4	24.9
Other (including Quarries)	13.2	13.4	14.1	14.1	14.0	13.8
<u>Total Mining and Quarrying</u>	58.4	58.7	57.7	57.5	57.3	56.3
<u>Manufacturing, etc. -</u>						
Factories (a)	946.6	944.5	948.2	947.9	945.8	944.8
Other (b)	71.6	71.6	71.6	71.6	71.7	71.7
<u>Total Manufacturing</u>	1018.2	1016.1	1019.8	1019.5	1017.5	1016.5
<u>Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.)</u>						
Building (Privately employed) (c)	102.5	102.3	96.3	96.4	96.0	94.5
Other (d)	116.6	115.5	116.8	116.2	*116.0	115.2
<u>Total Building and Construction</u>	219.1	217.8	213.1	212.6	*212.0	209.7
<u>Transport and Communication</u>						
Road Transport	95.6	95.4	96.1	96.2	95.4	95.2
Shipping and Stevedoring	53.2	53.8	53.7	53.1	52.8	52.7
Rail and Air Transport	118.0	118.5	115.8	116.2	116.1	115.5
Communication	84.4	84.6	87.3	87.6	87.8	87.8
<u>Total Transport, etc.</u>	351.2	352.3	352.9	353.1	352.1	351.2
<u>Property and Finance (including Banks and Insurance)</u>	103.5	103.4	107.4	107.5	107.3	107.3
<u>Commerce -</u>						
Wholesale Trade	166.1	165.6	166.1	166.1	165.5	165.4
Primary Produce Agencies	29.2	30.2	31.5	30.7	29.9	30.8
Retail Trade	251.9	250.0	251.2	250.7	250.9	250.5
<u>Total Commerce</u>	447.2	445.8	448.8	447.5	446.3	446.7
<u>Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.</u>	130.6	130.6	130.9	130.9	131.6	131.7
<u>Other -</u>						
Law and Order	31.0	31.0	32.0	32.2	32.4	32.5
Religion and Social Welfare	20.4	20.4	20.4	20.4	20.4	20.4
Health Services	104.8	105.1	106.5	106.5	106.8	107.2
Education	92.4	92.1	96.8	97.4	97.5	97.4
Other Professional	25.1	25.0	25.4	25.6	25.7	25.6
Entertainment, Sport	27.5	28.1	28.4	28.7	28.7	28.8
Personal Service (e)	123.3	123.4	125.2	124.2	123.6	124.0
<u>Total Other</u>	424.5	425.1	434.7	435.0	435.1	435.9
TOTAL :	2779.5	2776.3	2790.8	2789.0	*2784.4	2780.7

For notes see page 8. * Revised.

NOTES TO TABLES 7 AND 8

- (a) Refers to estimated employment in factories as defined for the purpose of the annual production census, results of which are published in the annual bulletin, Secondary Industries. In this connexion, a factory is defined as an industrial establishment in which four or more persons are employed, or in which power, other than manual, is used. The employees covered are those engaged in manufacturing activities and exclude those engaged in selling and distribution, etc. Revision will be necessary in the estimates herein to numbers of employees in factories since June, 1948, within the above definition. A new series of returns was instituted as from January, 1952, which shows the same approximate trend as the figures herein since that date. A survey of the results obtained from this series is presented in Section III.
- (b) Includes employees in industrial establishments outside the scope of the definition of a factory (given in (a) above) and persons employed by factory proprietors but engaged in selling or distribution, etc., who are excluded from figures shown opposite "Factories".
- (c) Includes persons employed on private building, and employees of private employers contracting to public bodies, on building construction, alterations, maintenance and repairs.
- (d) Includes employees on construction of roads, bridges, earthworks, etc., and employees directly employed by public bodies on building and maintenance of buildings.
- (e) Includes Hotels, Restaurants, Hairdressing and Other Personal Services (except female private domestics).
- (f) Includes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory.
- (g) Includes Law and Order, Religion and Social Welfare, Health, Education, Other Professional Services, Entertainment, etc., and Personal Service (Hotels, Restaurants, etc., excluding female private domestics). In respect of females only, also includes Forestry, Fishing, etc., Mining, Building and Construction.

III. EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES

By joint arrangement between the Secretary of the Department of Labour and National Service and the Commonwealth Statistician, a regular monthly survey of employment in the larger privately-owned factories of New South Wales and Victoria was instituted in January, 1952. Practically all private factories with 100 or more employees and a large section of those with between 50 and 100 employees were surveyed.

The instruction as to employees to be included in the returns was as follows:- "The number of persons employed is to include all persons on the establishment of the factory who are engaged in the factory or on the factory office staff, providing their employment is directly related to manufacture", and further ".....the number of males and females (separately) employed in the specified factory or mill. These figures are to include factory office staff, but are to exclude selling and distribution staff". The figures obtained relate to the numbers on the pay-roll as at the last pay-day in the month.

The survey was instituted to provide an earlier indication of trend of private factory employment, month by month, than is available from any other source, and in fact, the trends shown in employment in these larger private factories are broadly consonant with those shown in estimates of total private factory employment, derived from Pay-roll Tax Returns, for the periods for which comparisons are available.

Employment in food-processing factories is subject to considerable seasonal variation. In view of this circumstance, the movements in "all factories excluding food factories" are given equal prominence in the tables with those in "all factories surveyed".

The survey was extended to cover all States with effect from January, 1953. In Bulletins up to and including No. 152, totals were given for the original two States, for the three remaining mainland States and for the five mainland States together. The figures now shown in Tables 9 and 11 are totals for all six States.

An industrial analysis, showing movements in each of eight broad groups, is given in Table 13. In continuation of the earlier practice, this table is confined to the five mainland states. At the present stage, figures for Tasmania cannot be incorporated into this table in the same detail because of the risk of disclosure of individual factory particulars.

TABLE 9 - EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES

SIX STATES

Period (End of Month)	Employment in all Factories surveyed			Percentage movement since previous month		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
1956 : August	372,283	114,505	486,788	- 0.6	-0.5	- 0.5
September	372,045	114,819	486,864	- 0.1	+0.3	-
October	371,913	115,693	487,606	-	+0.8	+ 0.2
November	372,166	115,556	487,722	+ 0.1	-0.1	-
December	370,659	115,797	486,456	- 0.4	+0.2	- 0.3
1957 : January	368,956	118,397	487,353	- 0.5	+2.2	+ 0.2
February	373,409	120,763	494,172	+ 1.2	+2.0	+ 1.4
March	374,710	121,452	496,162	+ 0.3	+0.6	+ 0.4
April	373,127	118,180	491,307	- 0.4	-2.7	- 1.0
May	374,363	116,265	490,628	+ 0.3	-1.6	- 0.1
June	374,760	115,170	489,930	+ 0.1	-0.9	- 0.1
July	374,346	114,641	488,987	- 0.2	-0.5	- 0.2
August	374,677	*114,487	*489,164	+ 0.1	-0.1	-
September	375,957	114,697	490,654	+ 0.3	+0.2	+ 0.3

* Revised.

TABLE 10 - EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES

STATES

State	Employment in all Factories surveyed					Percentage movement in employment	
	1956		1957			July '57- August, '57	August, '57- September, '57
	August	September	July	August	September		

MALES

New South Wales	148,524	148,645	150,579	150,757	151,593	+ 0.1	+ 0.6
Victoria	111,097	111,164	112,121	112,262	112,863	+ 0.1	+ 0.5
Queensland	42,215	41,748	41,720	41,549	41,047	- 0.4	- 1.2
South Australia	40,395	40,333	39,848	39,929	39,979	+ 0.2	+ 0.1
Western Australia	17,403	17,581	17,294	17,387	17,498	+ 0.5	+ 0.6
Tasmania	12,649	12,574	12,784	12,793	12,977	+ 0.1	+ 1.4
TOTAL:	372,283	372,045	374,346	374,677	375,957	+ 0.1	+ 0.3

FEMALES

New South Wales	45,224	45,728	45,518	45,715	46,130	+ 0.4	+ 0.9
Victoria	44,207	44,358	44,391	44,284	44,372	- 0.2	+ 0.2
Queensland	8,586	8,569	8,278	*8,361	8,253	*+ 1.0	- 1.3
South Australia	8,558	8,456	8,943	8,852	8,790	- 1.0	- 0.7
Western Australia	3,515	3,596	3,313	3,338	3,408	+ 0.8	+ 2.1
Tasmania	4,415	4,112	4,198	3,937	3,744	- 6.2	- 4.9
TOTAL:	114,505	114,819	114,641	*114,487	114,697	- 0.1	+ 0.2

PERSONS

New South Wales	193,748	194,373	196,097	196,472	197,723	+ 0.2	+ 0.6
Victoria	155,304	155,522	156,512	156,546	157,235	-	+ 0.4
Queensland	50,801	50,317	49,998	*49,910	49,300	- 0.2	- 1.2
South Australia	48,953	48,789	48,791	48,781	48,769	-	-
Western Australia	20,918	21,177	20,607	20,725	20,906	+ 0.6	+ 0.9
Tasmania	17,064	16,686	16,982	16,730	16,721	- 1.5	- 0.1
TOTAL:	486,788	486,864	488,987	*489,164	490,654	-	+ 0.3

* Revised

TABLE 11 - EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES, EXCLUDING FOOD FACTORIES

SIX STATES

Period (End of Month)	Employment in all Factories surveyed, except Food Factories			Percentage movement since previous month		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
1956 : August	319,850	99,200	419,050	- 0.4	- 0.2	- 0.3
September	319,789	99,930	419,719	-	+ 0.7	+ 0.2
October	319,137	100,402	419,539	- 0.2	+ 0.5	-
November	318,716	100,125	418,841	- 0.1	- 0.3	- 0.2
December	318,934	99,825	418,759	+ 0.1	- 0.3	-
1957 : January	320,155	99,760	419,915	+ 0.4	- 0.1	+ 0.3
February	322,047	100,396	422,443	+ 0.6	+ 0.6	+ 0.6
March	322,811	100,750	423,561	+ 0.2	+ 0.4	+ 0.3
April	322,282	100,493	422,775	- 0.2	- 0.3	- 0.2
May	322,356	99,934	422,290	-	- 0.6	- 0.1
June	322,019	99,464	421,483	- 0.1	- 0.5	- 0.2
July	321,831	99,439	421,270	- 0.1	-	- 0.1
August	322,176	*99,569	*421,745	+ 0.1	+ 0.1	+ 0.1
September	323,526	99,905	423,431	+ 0.4	+ 0.3	+ 0.4

* Revised.

TABLE 12 - EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES, EXCLUDING FOOD FACTORIES

STATES

State	Employment in all Factories surveyed excluding Food Factories					Percentage movement in employment	
	1956		1957			July '57-	August, '57-
	August	September	July	August	September	August, '57	September, '57

MALES

New South Wales	135,198	135,201	137,075	137,355	138,229	+ 0.2	+ 0.6
Victoria	97,725	97,707	98,680	98,816	98,857	+ 0.1	-
Queensland	25,288	25,381	24,691	24,454	24,702	- 1.0	+ 1.0
South Australia	36,120	36,022	35,604	35,636	35,662	+ 0.1	+ 0.1
Western Australia	15,076	15,096	15,048	15,144	15,114	+ 0.6	- 0.2
Tasmania	10,443	10,382	10,733	10,771	10,962	+ 0.4	+ 1.8
TOTAL:	319,850	319,789	321,831	322,176	323,526	+ 0.1	+ 0.4

FEMALES

New South Wales	39,790	40,215	39,993	40,348	40,635	+ 0.9	+ 0.7
Victoria	39,521	39,817	39,515	39,532	39,613	-	+ 0.2
Queensland	6,831	6,842	6,560	*6,577	6,617	* + 0.3	+ 0.6
South Australia	7,227	7,176	7,554	7,491	7,476	- 0.8	- 0.2
Western Australia	2,723	2,762	2,564	2,567	2,618	+ 0.1	+ 2.0
Tasmania	3,108	3,118	3,253	3,054	2,946	- 6.1	- 3.5
TOTAL:	99,200	99,930	99,439	*99,569	99,905	+ 0.1	+ 0.3

PERSONS

New South Wales	174,988	175,416	177,068	177,703	178,864	+ 0.4	+ 0.7
Victoria	137,246	137,524	138,195	138,348	138,470	+ 0.1	+ 0.1
Queensland	32,119	32,223	31,251	*31,031	31,319	- 0.7	+ 0.9
South Australia	43,347	43,198	43,158	43,127	43,138	- 0.1	-
Western Australia	17,799	17,858	17,612	17,711	17,732	+ 0.6	+ 0.1
Tasmania	13,551	13,500	13,986	13,825	13,908	- 1.2	+ 0.6
TOTAL:	419,050	419,719	421,270	*421,745	423,431	+ 0.1	+ 0.4

* Revised.

TABLE 13 - EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES : FIVE MAINLAND STATES

INDUSTRIAL GROUPING

Industrial Group	Employment in Factories surveyed (5 States)				Percentage move- ment in employment	
	September 1956	July, 1957	August, 1957	September, 1957	July, '57- August, '57	August, '57- September, '57
MALES						
1. Building Materials	33,392	32,664	32,801	32,886	+ 0.4	+ 0.3
2. Basic Metals	38,821	41,365	41,491	41,426	+ 0.3	- 0.2
3. Transportation Equipment	57,254	56,665	56,628	56,975	- 0.1	+ 0.6
4. Other Metal Manufactures	82,556	82,798	82,945	83,783	+ 0.2	+ 1.0
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	18,686	18,763	18,856	18,882	+ 0.5	+ 0.1
6. Clothing and Textiles	32,681	32,285	32,268	32,148	- 0.1	- 0.4
7. Food	50,064	50,464	50,479	50,416	-	- 0.1
8. All Other	46,017	46,558	46,416	46,464	- 0.3	+ 0.1
Total - All Groups	359,471	361,562	361,884	362,980	+ 0.1	+ 0.3
Total - Excluding Food	309,407	311,098	311,405	312,564	+ 0.1	+ 0.4

FEMALES

1. Building Materials	2,977	2,861	2,921	2,923	+ 2.1	+ 0.1
2. Basic Metals	2,069	2,054	2,076	2,068	+ 1.1	- 0.4
3. Transportation Equipment	5,276	5,087	5,096	5,092	+ 0.2	- 0.1
4. Other Metal Manufactures	17,530	19,310	19,609	19,897	+ 1.5	+ 1.5
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	4,283	4,156	4,225	4,226	+ 1.7	-
6. Clothing and Textiles	51,692	50,322	50,046	50,178	- 0.5	+ 0.3
7. Food	13,895	14,257	14,035	13,994	- 1.6	- 0.3
8. All Other	12,985	12,396	*12,542	12,575	*+ 1.2	+ 0.3
Total - All Groups	110,707	110,443	*110,550	110,953	+ 0.1	+ 0.4
Total - Excluding Food	96,812	96,186	*96,515	96,959	+ 0.3	+ 0.5

* Revised.

IV. WAGES AND HOURS OF LABOUR

TABLE 14 - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE EARNINGS (a) : AUSTRALIA

Index Numbers (Base 1945-46 = 1,000)
Revised Series (Seasonally adjusted)

Year	Index Numbers		Quarter	Index Numbers	
	All Industries (b)	Manufacturing		All Industries (b)	Manufacturing
1945-46	1,000	1,000	1955 -		
1946-47	1,037	1,056	March Quarter	2,589	2,732
1947-48	1,164	1,206	June "	2,652	2,758
1948-49	1,322	1,365	Sept. "	2,689	2,806
1949-50	1,451	1,505	Dec. "	2,731	2,849
			1956 -		
1950-51	1,742	1,810	March "	2,749	2,859
1951-52	2,145	2,213	June "	2,801	2,897
1952-53	2,350	2,394	Sept. "	2,863	2,968
1953-54	2,462	2,511	Dec. "	2,903	2,996
			1957 -		
1954-55	2,572	2,685	March "	2,910	2,983
1955-56	2,743	2,853	June "	2,921	2,986
1956-57	2,899	2,984			

(a) Includes salaries. (b) Average earnings per male unit employed. Male units represent total male employment plus a proportion of female employment based on the approximate ratio of female to male earnings.

NOTE:- The index numbers for "All Industries" and "Manufacturing" show the movement in average earnings over a period of time. They do not, however, give at any point of time, a comparison of actual earnings in the two groups.

The "All Industries" index is based on Pay-roll Tax Returns and other data. The index for manufacturing industries for the years 1945-46 to 1955-56 is based on the average earnings of male wage and salary earners employed in factories as disclosed by annual factory returns. The figures subsequent to June, 1956 are preliminary estimates based on Pay-roll Tax returns.

TABLE 15 - AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES PAID AND AVERAGE EARNINGS

The following figures are derived from employment and wages recorded on Pay-roll Tax returns and from estimates of the unrecorded balance. Pay of members of the armed forces is not included. The figures are not seasonally adjusted. A seasonally adjusted quarterly index of average weekly wage earnings is shown in Table 14.

Period	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A. (b)	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES PAID (£'000)							
1950-51	11,385	7,916	3,501	2,389	1,639	817	27,647
1951-52	14,364	9,816	4,319	3,018	2,108	1,059	34,684
1952-53	15,090	10,490	4,750	3,311	2,344	1,178	37,163
1953-54	16,043	11,305	5,065	3,561	2,586	1,280	39,840
1954-55	17,357	12,221	5,398	3,839	2,731	1,365	42,911
1955-56	18,955	13,358	5,809	4,195	2,897	1,476	46,690
1956-57	20,167	14,111	6,218	4,387	2,979	1,596	49,458
<u>1954-55</u>							
December Quarter	17,918	12,440	5,612	3,862	2,773	1,345	43,950
March "	16,511	11,678	5,017	3,712	2,610	1,346	40,874
June "	18,235	12,916	5,619	4,033	2,813	1,492	45,108
<u>1955-56</u>							
September Quarter	18,454	12,890	5,765	4,097	2,844	1,414	45,464
December "	19,683	13,664	6,034	4,267	2,980	1,462	48,090
March "	18,229	12,832	5,435	4,057	2,849	1,442	44,844
June "	19,453	14,045	6,002	4,359	2,915	1,587	48,361
<u>1956-57</u>							
September Quarter	19,613	13,877	6,145	4,364	3,003	1,529	48,531
December "	21,038	14,627	6,584	4,497	3,011	1,610	51,367
March "	19,420	13,500	5,837	4,231	2,899	1,584	47,471
June "	20,595	14,441	6,304	4,456	3,005	1,660	50,461
AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT (£) (c)							
1950-51	11.46	11.70	9.82	10.58	10.23	9.99	11.09
1951-52	14.24	14.20	11.93	13.13	12.80	12.59	13.65
1952-53	15.50	15.46	13.32	14.58	14.13	13.97	14.95
1953-54	16.15	16.27	14.05	15.30	15.04	14.92	15.69
1954-55	16.96	17.06	14.51	16.09	15.55	15.60	16.42
1955-56	18.16	18.22	15.34	17.10	16.37	16.66	17.51
1956-57	19.20	19.13	16.24	17.70	17.02	17.73	18.43
<u>1954-55</u>							
December Quarter	17.53	17.45	15.14	16.26	15.78	15.51	16.86
March "	16.07	16.20	13.59	15.50	14.86	15.20	15.59
June "	17.64	17.81	14.90	16.73	15.92	16.76	17.07
<u>1955-56</u>							
September Quarter	17.79	17.75	15.16	16.98	16.12	16.11	17.16
December "	18.83	18.68	15.89	17.49	16.82	16.65	18.04
March "	17.46	17.43	14.54	16.43	16.08	16.25	16.81
June "	18.57	19.00	15.75	17.51	16.45	17.61	18.02
<u>1956-57</u>							
September Quarter	18.75	18.87	15.97	17.63	17.14	17.15	18.12
December "	20.01	19.84	17.14	18.20	17.19	18.04	19.13
March "	18.45	18.27	15.37	17.01	16.57	17.43	17.67
June "	19.60	19.54	16.46	17.94	17.18	18.30	18.78

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes Northern Territory.

(c) Total wages as above divided by total civilian employment expressed in male units. Male units equals the number of males plus a proportion of females based on the approximate ratio of female to male earnings. The same ratio has been used in each State and because the average ratio of female to male earnings may vary between States precise comparisons between average earnings in different States cannot be made on the basis of the figures above.

NOTE:- Comparisons as to trend should be made for complete years or corresponding periods of incomplete years. Quarterly totals and averages are affected by seasonal influences. The series is subject to revision based on the results of the 1954 Census.

TABLE 16 - AVERAGE NOMINAL WEEKLY WAGE RATES INDEX NUMBERS : ADULT MALES

INDUSTRIAL GROUPS - STATES (a)

The index numbers in the following tables are based on averages of wage rates for a full week's work obtained from awards, determinations and industrial agreements. The average rate of wage for each industrial group in each State is the arithmetical average of the rates of wage payable for classified occupations within that group. The figures for "All Groups" for each State and for each industrial group for Australia are weighted averages.

The base of each index number is the weighted average weekly wage for Australia of all industrial groups for the three years ended 30th June, 1939 = 100.

Industrial Group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'd.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.(b)
<u>31ST MARCH, 1957.</u>							
I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	360	335	326	329	354	341	344
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	342	329	355	323	355	344	338
III. Food, Drink, etc.	351	348	320	335	343	357	343
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	325	326	332	332	337	324	327
V. Books, Printing, etc.	396	386	373	367	405	386	388
VI. Other Manufacturing	349	334	318	330	342	351	339
VII. Building	394	379	362	350	373	365	379
VIII. Mining (c)	351	348	336	315	373	336	350
IX. Rail and Tram Services	372	358	345	328	347	363	358
X. Other Land Transport	348	319	313	310	343	327	331
XI. Shipping, etc. (d)	362	363	360	361	361	362	362
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc. (e)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	331	324	297	296	320	314	320
XIV. Miscellaneous	346	336	311	305	334	327	333
<u>All Groups (b)(f):</u>	365	347	339	329	355	355	352

30TH JUNE, 1957.

I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	364	346	324	340	357	352	350
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	349	338	353	334	358	354	344
III. Food, Drink, etc.	351	355	319	348	347	363	346
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	341	344	352	352	358	338	344
V. Books, Printing, etc.	400	392	378	378	411	397	393
VI. Other Manufacturing	353	341	323	341	347	357	345
VII. Building	396	383	360	361	378	369	383
VIII. Mining (c)	357	352	341	332	372	347	355
IX. Rail and Tram Services	369	360	343	339	350	374	358
X. Other Land Transport	350	328	311	321	346	338	336
XI. Shipping, etc. (d)	372	375	372	372	373	374	373
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc. (e)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	336	330	295	308	323	322	325
XIV. Miscellaneous	347	339	311	317	337	335	336
<u>All Groups (b)(f):</u>	367	353	340	342	358	364	356

- (a) The figures of nominal wages are in course of revision to meet changes in industrial structure.
- (b) Weighted average.
- (c) Average rates of wage on which index numbers are based are those prevailing at the principal mining centres in each State and exclude district allowances in the gold mining industry.
- (d) Average rates of wage on which index numbers are based are for occupations other than master, officers, and engineers in the Merchant Marine Service, and include value of keep, where supplied.
- (e) Not available.
- (f) For March, 1957 and June, 1957 the "All Groups" average weekly wage index numbers have been calculated by applying to the "All Groups" index numbers for December, 1955 the percentage movement from December, 1955 to March, 1957 and June, 1957 respectively, as shown by the index numbers for "All Groups", excluding XI and XII.

TABLE 17 - AVERAGE NOMINAL HOURLY WAGE RATES INDEX NUMBERS : ADULT MALES, STATES (a)

The index numbers in the following table are based on average wage rates and hours of labour for a full week's work obtained from awards, determinations and industrial agreements. The average rate of wage for each State is the weighted average of the wage rates for each industrial group in the State. The average rate of wage for Australia is the weighted average of the wage rates for each State.

The base of each index number is the weighted average hourly wage for Australia for the three years ended 30th June, 1939 = 100.

Date	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
31st December, 1938	109	98	109	92	111	94	104
" " 1945	136	133	133	124	138	127	133
" " 1946	146	143	142	132	141	137	143
" " 1947	168	153	139	152	155	149	158
" " 1948	192	188	179	183	190	184	188
" " 1949	206	204	196	197	208	198	203
" " 1950	248	244	228	234	250	239	243
" " 1951	300	290	268	279	300	287	291
" " 1952	338	327	308	322	342	326	329
" " 1953	346	336	316	327	352	341	338
" " 1954	349	340	325	332	353	345	342
" " 1955	365	355	334	337	370	350	355
31st March, 1956	368	358	336	337	372	355	358
30th June, 1956	373	367	342	349	375	368	365
30th September, 1956	379	371	350	349	380	369	370
31st December, 1956	388	372	356	349	385	369	375
31st March, 1957	385	372	356	349	387	369	374
30th June, 1957	388	379	357	362	390	378	379

(a) Weighted average hourly rates of wage for all industrial groups except Groups XI (Shipping, etc.) and XII (Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.). The figures of nominal wages are in course of revision to meet changes in industrial structure. (b) Weighted average.

V. UNEMPLOYMENT

TABLE 18 - NUMBER OF PERSONS RECEIVING UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT : STATES

Compiled from information furnished by the Department of Social Services on the operation of the Unemployment and Sickness Benefits Act 1944 (from 1st July, 1947, Part VII of the Social Services Act 1947-1956) which came into effect on 1st July, 1945. From June, 1951 onwards, figures are as furnished by the Department of Social Services.

Number of Persons on Benefit at end of each Month (a)

Month	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A. (c)	W.A.	Tas.	Australia		
							Males	Females	Persons
1947 June	1,400	667	3,231	105	761	44	5,984	227	6,208
1948 June	339	66	1,173	20	212	28	1,718	120	1,838
1949 May	222	33	809	12	91	29	1,102	94	1,196
1950 June	335	151	568	32	108	32	998	228	1,226
1951 June (d)	246	32	263	3	50	10	457	147	604
1952 June	4,613	1,133	2,055	153	236	104	6,108	2,186	8,294
1953 June (e)	14,629	5,939	3,677	655	691	323	21,552	4,362	25,914
1954 June	2,810	1,203	1,657	79	225	109	4,360	1,723	6,083
1955 June	1,042	319	964	70	239	45	1,670	1,009	2,679
1956 June	2,325	1,412	1,270	319	1,606	71	5,395	1,608	7,003
1956 October	3,133	3,067	829	640	1,788	88	7,665	1,880	9,545
November	3,324	3,085	821	771	1,666	92	7,805	1,954	9,759
December	4,365	3,593	2,118	978	2,126	97	11,141	2,136	13,277
1957 January	4,191	3,493	4,083	703	2,244	88	12,699	2,103	14,802
February	4,336	2,677	4,218	462	1,930	71	11,498	2,196	13,694
March	4,322	2,771	3,802	481	1,607	94	10,702	2,375	13,077
April	5,244	3,772	3,876	631	1,804	126	12,665	2,788	15,453
May	5,385	4,057	3,009	835	1,803	236	12,397	2,928	15,325
June	6,242	5,073	2,851	1,054	2,441	410	14,324	3,747	18,071
July	7,333	5,887	2,411	1,345	2,772	543	16,148	4,143	20,291
August	7,898	5,618	2,216	1,320	2,458	665	16,103	4,072	20,175
September	7,196	5,271	2,458	1,235	2,119	695	14,948	4,026	18,974

(a) Last Saturday of Month. (b) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes Northern Territory. (d) From May, 1951 to September, 1952, the figures represent the number of persons on the cash sheet. (e) From October, 1952, the figures represent the number actually on benefit.

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